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Compound for Removing Corns, &c.

LETTERS PATENT to Eliza Lawrance, of Broadclist, in the County of Devon, Widow, for the Invention of “**A NEW MEDICINAL COMPOUND OR PREPARATION FOR THE CURE OR REMOVAL OF CORNS OR OTHER CALLOSITIES ON THE FEET.**”

Sealed the 7th August 1875, and dated the 4th March 1875.

PROVISIONAL SPECIFICATION left by the said Eliza Lawrance at the Office of the Commissioners of Patents, with her Petition, on the 4th March 1875.

I, ELIZA LAWRENCE, of Broadclist, in the County of Devon, Widow,
5 do hereby declare the nature of the said Invention for “**A NEW MEDICINAL COMPOUND OR PREPARATION FOR THE CURE OR REMOVAL OF CORNS OR OTHER CALLOSITIES ON THE FEET,**” to be as follows:—

The most important use of this compound or preparation is to remove or cure corns on the feet. For this purpose a small portion is put on a
10 piece of adhesive plaster of suitable size, and is by this means applied to and kept in position on the corn; or a small portion of the said com-

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pound is placed on the corn, and then covered with and kept in place by adhesive plaster or oiled silk, or similar fabric.

By the application of the said compound the corn is rapidly softened, and may then be removed easily, it being then reduced to the consistency of soap. 5

The following is a description of what is considered the best method of preparing the said medicinal compound:—Take in the following proportions, or near thereto, of soap two ounces, of carbolic acid, one tablespoonful; and of honey, or treacle, or similar substance, about one-sixteenth of an ounce, and thoroughly mix these substances together, 10 either using heat during the process or not.

The said medicinal compound may instead of soap be formed with any other oleaginous, fatty, or waxy, or mucilaginous substance, or with a combination of two or more of such substances.

SPECIFICATION in pursuance of the conditions of the Letters Patent, 15
filed by the said Eliza Lawrance in the Great Seal Patent Office on
the 16th August 1875.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, I, ELIZA LAWRENCE, of Broadclist, in the County of Devon, Widow, send greeting. 20

WHEREAS Her most Excellent Majesty Queen Victoria, by Her Letters Patent, bearing date the Fourth day of March, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, in the thirty-eighth year of Her reign, did, for Herself, Her heirs and successor, give and grant unto me, the said Eliza Lawrance, Her special license 25
that I, the said Eliza Lawrence, my executors, administrators, and assigns, or such others as I, the said Eliza Lawrance, my executors, administrators, and assigns, should at any time agree with, and no others, from time to time and at all times thereafter during the term therein expressed, should and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and 30
vend, within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Channel Islands, and Isle of Man, an Invention for “**A NEW MEDICINAL COMPOUND OR PREPARATION FOR THE CURE OR REMOVAL OF CORNS OR OTHER**

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CALLOSITIES ON THE FEET," upon the condition (amongst others) that I, the said Eliza Lawrance, my executors or administrators, by an instrument in writing under my, or their, or one of their hands and seals, should particularly describe and ascertain the nature of the said Invention, and
5 in what manner the same was to be performed, and cause the same to be filed in the Great Seal Patent Office within six calendar months next and immediately after the date of the said Letters Patent.

NOW KNOW YE, that I, the said Eliza Lawrance, do hereby declare the nature of the said Invention, and in what manner the same is to be
10 performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement thereof (that is to say):—

The said Invention has for its object a new medicinal compound or preparation for the cure or removal of corns or other callosities on the feet.

15 The said medicinal compound is composed in the following way, and may be mixed in large or small quantities in the following proportions (that is to say):—To a quantity of soap (either melted by heat, or grated, or ground up, or rubbed in a mortar, or by all or any of these or other means rendered soft and plastic) is to be added a sufficient quantity of
20 carbolic acid to make the soap into a soft salve. I have obtained very good results by the use of the said substances in the proportions of two ounces of the best white curd soap mixed with one tablespoonful of carbolic acid, about one-sixteenth part of an ounce of honey being added when the compound is intended for use in a hot climate, in order to
25 prevent the salve being by the heat of the climate dried up and rendered unfit for use.

In practice I have found it convenient in preparing the soap to grate or grind it up in a small table mincing machine, then to pound it in a mortar before adding to it the carbolic acid. Some soaps are drier and
30 harder than other soaps, hence it will be evident that the proportion of carbolic acid will have to be varied to suit the particular kind of soap used, the proportions used being in all cases such as by the mixture to form a soft salve.

In very cold weather the mixing of the ingredients may be facilitated
35 by placing them upon a warmed sheet of metal.

Instead of using honey for the purpose of preventing the said salve from becoming too hard, treacle, or similar substance, or, if preferred,

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any oleaginous, or fatty, or waxy, or mucilaginous substance or substances may be added to or combined with the soap or used in combination instead of it in the formation of the said salve.

For the purpose of curing or removing corns or callosities from the feet a suitable quantity of the said medicinal compound or preparation 5 forming a salve, as above described, is placed upon a piece of adhesive plaster of suitable size, and by this means is applied to and kept in position on the corn or callosity; or a suitable quantity of the said medicinal compound or preparation is placed on the corn and then covered with and kept in place by adhesive plaster, or oiled silk, or 10 similar or other suitable fabric, and by either of these methods of application the corn or callosity will be rapidly softened, and may then be easily removed.

Having thus described the nature of my said Invention, and the manner of carrying the same into practical effect, I hereby declare that 15 I do not claim the use separately of any of the ingredients herein-before mentioned; but what I consider to be novel and original, and therefore claim as the Invention secured to me by the herein-before in part recited Letters Patent is, the preparation and use for the cure or removal of corns or other callosities on the feet of the medicinal compound con- 20 taining soap mixed with carbolic acid, as above described.

In witness whereof, I, the said Eliza Lawrance, have hereunto set my hand and seal, this Fourteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy- 25 five.

ELIZA LAWRANCE. (L.S.)

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